

**THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
ASHEVILLE DIVISION  
CIVIL CASE NO. 1:12-cv-00360-MR-DLH**

**RALPH O'NEIL STARNES, et al.,**     )  
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  **Plaintiffs,**     )  
  )  
  **vs.**     )  
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**A.O. SMITH CORPORATION, et al.,**     )  
  )  
  **Defendants.**     )  
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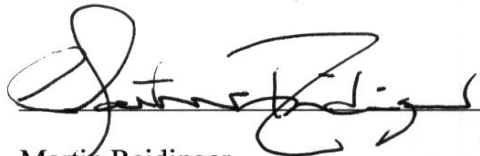
**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** is before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion to Dismiss Defendant John Crane Inc. [Doc. 405].

For the reasons stated in the motion, and for cause shown,

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that the parties' Joint Motion [Doc. 405] is **GRANTED**, and all of the Plaintiffs' claims against Defendant John Crane Inc. are hereby **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

  
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Martin Reidinger  
United States District Judge

